

REMARKS

Claims 31-68 are pending. No new matter has been added by way of the present amendment. For instance, the following Table provides the location of illustrative support for the new claims as being either in the originally filed claims or specification.

New Claim	Illustrative Location of Support
31	Original claim 1
32	Original claims 1 and 4
33	Original claim 2
34	Original claim 5
35	Original claim 6
36	Original claim 7
37	Original claim 8
38	Original claim 9
39	Original claim 10
40	Original claim 11
41	Original claim 12
42	Original claim 13
43	Original claim 14
44	Original claim 15
45	Original claims 16, 18 and 23
46	Original claim 16
47	Original claim 17
48	Original claim 18
49	Original claim 19
50	Original claim 20
51	Original claim 22

New Claim	Illustrative Location of Support
52	Original claim 23
53	Page 45, line 24 to page 46, line 1
54	Page 46, lines 2-3
55	Page 46, lines 4-6
56	Page 46, lines 19-25
57	Page 46, line 26 to page 47, line 3
58	Original claim 24
59	Original claim 25
60	Original claim 26 and page 396, lines 23-27
61	Original claim 26 and page 396, lines 23-27
62	Original claim 27 and page 396, lines 23-27
63	Original claim 27 and page 396, lines 23-27
64	Page 179, lines 15-16, page 399, lines 18-23 and page 405, lines 6-12
65	Original claim 29
66	Original claim 30
67	Page 46, lines 2-3
68	Page 46, lines 4-6

Conclusion

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments, please contact Craig A. McRobbie, Registration No 42,874 at the offices of Birch, Stewart, Kolasch & Birch, LLP.

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any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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